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"RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116-
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING
GROUP 2154"

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :
TSUNETAKE NOMA : EXAMINER: P. LEE
SERIAL NO: 09/684,063 :
FILED: OCTOBER 6, 2000 : GROUP ART UNIT: 2154

FOR: SERVICE PROVIDING
APPARATUS AND METHOD, AND
INFORMATION PROCESSING
APPARATUS AND METHOD AS WELL
AS PROGRAM STORAGE MEDIUM

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated May 10, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.